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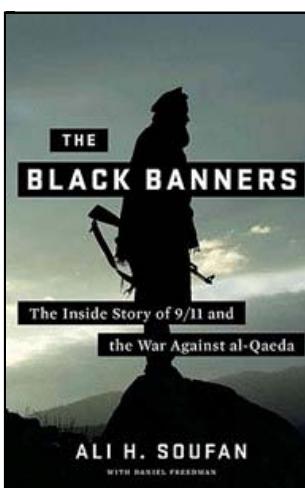


The incident was an opening round of terrorist attacks masterminded by the then unknown Osama bin Laden.

Though still in his 20's, Soufan had already developed an eye for detail, overlooking nothing and working until he dropped. As a Lebanese American, he spoke the Arab language, practiced the Muslim faith and understood Middle East culture.

During one investigation Soufan found a box of papers that the CIA had overlooked or deemed not important. He studied the contents that turned out to have important leads to key terrorist operations. The young field agent inadvertently embarrassed the CIA.

As terrorist attacks continued, Soufan became increasingly important in the investigations. He interrogated captured terrorists, and in most cases extracted valuable information that often enabled officials to disrupt a planned attack. Soufan feels strongly that the 9/11 attacks could have been averted had the CIA shared certain pieces of information with him. However, they consistently denied cooperation.



Packed with behind-the-scenes detail, *The Black Banners* describes Soufan's travels around the world to hole-in-the-wall safe houses where he matches wits with, and almost always gets information from many of Al Qaeda's leading terrorists.

Underneath are the clashes between the FBI and CIA, and with the Bush Administration.

Soufan brings us with him as he interrogates terrorists and in doing so transforms one-dimensional stereotypes into humans with details of their personalities, education, their weaknesses and health problems.

Even though his former boss and friend John O'Neill died in the Twin Towers and Soufan remained enraged that anyone would attack and kill innocent people, he put his feelings aside and treated terror suspects with respect, knowing he was playing "mental poker" with them, and nearly always having the winning hand because he had studied and knew his enemy.

When the CIA hired a contractor to apply "enhanced interrogation techniques (EHI)," Soufan and others protested. The CIA continued. By now, Soufan commanded enough respect in the FBI that he took his complaints up a couple levels. The answer: the EHI orders came from the White House.

Soufan is not shy about blasting Deputy Secretary of Defense Paul Wolfowitz and other Bush administration officials who he says ignored the Constitution in favor of EHI.

Soufan resigned in 2005, partly in protest of the torture, partly just weary. He had spent years combating three forces: al-Qaeda, the CIA and Bush administration .

In 2009 he went public with his insistence that enhanced interrogation techniques are useless and un-American. He created a firestorm of controversy and was asked to testify on the Senate Judicial Committee hearing on torture.

In the end, he created his own firm, [The Soufan Group](#). He had his strength back. His sense of honor and his integrity had never left.

In his book he downplays the fact that he was a target of various groups, that he and his team had to move often because of death threats. Up until 2011 Soufan, for safety reasons, had never allowed a photo of him to be used. When he testified before the Senate it was from behind a curtain.

That changed in 2011 when Soufan became the most recognizable FBI agent since Elliot Ness. He was featured on [60 Minutes](#) and [Frontline](#), and appeared on such talk shows as the [Colbert Report](#) where he said, "I do not like to discriminate against terrorists based on nationality. If you declare war on the United States, and you want to kill us, we're going to kill you first. Period."

No one yet has assessed Soufan's importance in the U.S. and the world.

If he didn't invent his "you catch more flies with honey than vinegar" interrogation techniques, he certainly perfected them and the FBI now teaches the "Ali Soufan Method."

The media grabbed its usual sound bite moments chose a few quickly digestible examples from the book but no one has read it and returned and said: "This man, born in Lebanon, came to the U.S. as a child, attended a small, rural public university and went on to become probably the most effective counter terror agent in history. Through his efforts several attacks were averted and thousands of lives were saved. He took on the CIA, the Department of Defense and a presidential administration to defend the U.S. Constitution."

Coming full circle, Soufan tells us that during the early 90's his hobby was following the then unknown bin Laden and the infant Al Qaeda. Then, for 10 years, it was his life's mission to help dismantle the increasingly destructive group. And now, with his own international security firm, "countering propaganda and rhetoric" of terrorist organizations has become his new hobby.

That's comforting, for America and the world.

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Author's note: Ali Soufan has generously credited Mansfield University in preparing him for his incredible career. For that the university is grateful. As an MU staff member and alumnus I know I speak for a lot of folks in the MU family when I say we're very proud of Ali for his courage, his sense of justice and all he has done for America and the world. He is, in every way, a true American.

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"I am confident Dr. Golden will provide excellent leadership to Mansfield University," Board of Governors Vice Chairman Aaron A. Walton said. "He is familiar with the institution, and with PASSHE, having a long tenure with the State System. That experience will be essential as he guides the university during this period of transition."

Maravene Loeschke, who has served as president of MU since July 2006, announced in September that she would leave the university at the end of the fall semester to become president of Towson University in Maryland, her alma mater.



Golden spent nearly 28 years as a senior administrator at California University of Pennsylvania before retiring in late 2009. He came to Cal U. as vice president for administrative affairs after serving as vice president for administration and finance at Essex County College in Newark, New Jersey.

He previously served as an assistant dean of business affairs at Baruch College of the City University of New York (CUNY), executive assistant to the vice chancellor for administration at CUNY and as assistant to the dean of administration at Hostos Community College. Golden began his professional career as a middle and high school social studies and English teacher.

He holds a bachelor's degree in American history and government and a master's degree in social studies, both from Fairleigh Dickinson University, and a Ph.D. in higher education administration from New York University.

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Assistant Director of Admissions Dave Empet '03 M '07 helped coordinate the efforts. After spending a day in the Hills Grove and Forksville areas of Pennsylvania, he said, "You look around here and it's just complete devastation. By the end of the day you hope to make a bit of a difference and put some smiles back on faces."

"This has affected many members of our campus family," Kris Dumschat, chair of the Student Government Association (SGA) Committee of Finance, said.

"People we know, our friends, have been flooded out and we want to help them and everyone else who has been affected."

For a look at the MU relief efforts, go to news.mansfield.edu/mountie-family-recovery-effort

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Stephanie Zimmerman was named Homecoming Queen and Kevin Malmrose was named Homecoming King. The royal couple was crowned by MU President Maravene Loeschke during halftime ceremonies of the Mountaineers sprint football game against Navy.

Zimmerman is a senior Leadership for Children and Adults with Disabilities (LCAD) major from Lehighton, PA. She represented Alpha Sigma Tau in the campus-wide voting. Zimmerman was escorted by David Slinger.

Malmrose is junior Education major from Gillett, PA. He represented the Residence Hall Association. Malrose was escorted by Danielle Kerlin.



Earlier in the day, the annual Homecoming parade made its way up Main Street to the delight of a big crowd lining both sides of the street.

The alumni tent party was held at the new Allen Hall. The Art and Communication Departments gave tours of the new facility.



Friday night, the MU Alumni Athletic Hall of Fame welcomed four new members during induction ceremonies at Manser Hall.

Dr. Donald Shaw, Alison Tagliaferri '06, Randy Vargason '86 and Charity Learn Walker '06 were enshrined. The new Hall of Famers was also honored during the Homecoming parade and before the football game.

To see the inductees' full bios, [click here](#).

Ken Gaudi won the annual golf tournament held at Corey Creek Golf Club on Friday. All proceeds from the tournament benefit MU athletic scholarships.

The weekend also featured a pep rally with a bonfire and fireworks, three concerts and many other activities.

To see a video montage of Homecoming 2011, go to youtube.com/mansfielduniversity

Mark your calendars for October 12-13 and make plans to be in Mansfield for Homecoming 2012.

Hitting the High Notes

The Mansfieldians and Jazz Ensemble will be traveling to Edinburgh, Scotland and London, England over spring break in March. They will be presenting concerts at MU's sister institution Napier University in Edinburgh as well as concerts in London arranged by André Canniere '01, who now lives and work in that city. This will mark the first overseas tour these two groups have taken together.

The Jazz Ensemble and the Mansfieldians have combined to produce their second CD, *Smack Dab in the Middle*. All proceeds will go directly to help defray the student's expenses for the spring break trip.

To order a CD, or to donate to help the groups with their trip, contact Mike Galloway at mgallowa@mansfield.edu

The MU Women's Choir has been invited to perform as the Nun's Chorus in a concert performance of *The Sound of Music* at Carnegie Hall in New York City on April 24.

The Women's Choir will spend three days in New York City to rehearse and perform in the renowned Carnegie Hall with all expenses paid.

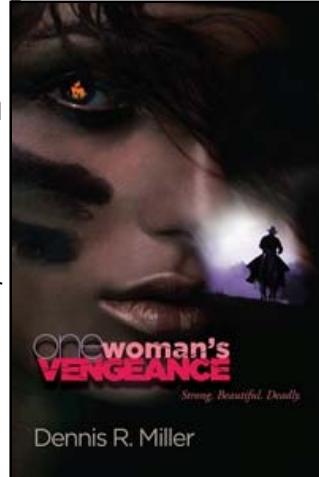
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Set in post Civil War New Mexico, the plot revolves protagonist Nora Hawks whose home is invaded by a 12-member gang seeking to take her land. They murder her husband, rape her and leave her for dead. She survives and seeks out a retired bounty hunter, Peter Clawson, to teach her how to use weapons and how to fight. She forces her way into a man's world of violence, finding the physical and spiritual strength to exact revenge.

This is Miller's second novel. *The Perfect Song* was published in 2004. All profits from the books are put into a scholarship fund for future MU students.

Vengeance is available at the MU Campus Bookstore and its [online store](#). The print and ebook versions are available on Lulu.com from My Shelf bookstore in Wellsboro, and the ebook version is on Barnes and Noble, Amazon.com and on iBooks on the iTunes store.



You can read the first chapter for free on Miller's blog at www.onewoman'svengeance.com

He also has a Facebook page at [Dennis R. Miller](#).

Miller, a 1971 graduate, has been PR director at MU since 1980.

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"Karen Jacobson was Iota Theta," Kelchner said. "She kept the sorority running, which is a time-consuming and difficult challenge. Imagine volunteering hours and hours each and every week for nearly 40 years to an organization while, at the same time, building a successful career and volunteering for other community organizations. That is quite a commitment and accomplishment."

Jacobson '69, was the 2009 Elsie Burke Service Award winner and best remembered as a stalwart proponent of sorority life who championed Delta Zeta service and fund-raising projects and the achievements of the young women who entered the sisterhood.

"When we were in college, I think we took her contribution somewhat for granted," says Kelchner. "It's only after we left school and began our own busy lives did we appreciate her dedication and love for the hundreds of girls who joined the sorority over her years."

The group invites all Delta Zeta alumni to support the Fund in honor of "Mrs. J."

"You don't have to have a reunion or plan an auction to make a difference," said Linda Roberts Miller '76, who coordinated the auction. "The important thing to do is write a check in remembrance of a woman who made a lasting impression on our college lives."

From Your Alumni Director

Welcome!



We extend a warm welcome to Pamela Kathcart of Wellsboro, PA who has been named assistant director of Alumni Relations. Pam graduated from Mansfield in 2001 and brings valuable experience in customer service, working with volunteers and organizing special events.

Most recently Pam worked in the MU Admissions Office and will now serve as the liaison between the Alumni Office and Admissions. On your next visit to campus, please stop by Alumni Hall and welcome Pam! A big "thank you" to Andrea Whittaker Swain '02 who provided interim support to the Alumni Office.

Recent Gatherings

In addition to the annual Homecoming festivities on October 7 & 8 and the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the 1961 Baseball Team's PSAC Championship (page 3), recent Alumni gatherings included:

"Mansfield Day in Eagles Mere" took place at the Crestmont Inn on August 3. This special gathering has taken place for over 40 years thanks to the efforts of Marge Cole Lee '44. Guests enjoyed a delicious lunch and the musical talent of current student Amanda Trimpey when she performed *Bach Cello Suite #1 Prelude* on her viola.

On July 30, MU Athletic Hall of Fame member Rod Pursell '88 and his wife, Donna, hosted the 20th annual "RodBash" at their home near Bethlehem, PA. "RodBash" reunites MU football alumni and friends and raises funds for the sprint football program and the Alumni Association.

This year's special guest was Janice Kennedy '46, retired MU professor.

July 23 marked the date for the "5th Annual Billtown Bash" in Williamsport, PA. More than 70 alumni and friends enjoyed a golf outing and a party at the Cell Block. Contact Tony Confer '97 at confert@comcast.net if you are interested in attending the 2012 Bash.

Visit the Alumni Website to view photos of some events at alumni.mansfield.edu, select "Communications" and then "Photo Gallery." Enjoy!



Save the Date for these 2012 Events

MU on the Road: Sarasota, FL - Saturday, March 3. Luncheon at the Palm-Aire Country Club.

Alumni Weekend: June 8 & 9. Golden Anniversary Celebration for the Class of 1962!

Homecoming: October 12 & 13.

Check the [alumni website](#) for updates and additional information.

Help Wanted

Join the MU Admissions staff at a regional reception in your geographical area (PA, NY and NJ) to provide potential students and their families with insight about your personal MU experience!

FMI: visit <http://alumni.mansfield.edu/receptions> or contact the Alumni Office at alumni2@mansfield.edu or 888-305-6505. Refer a student to Mansfield at any time by completing the online form at alumni.mansfield.edu/referastudent. Thank you for your help and recommendations!

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Janice Madigan Kennedy and son Will recently visited **Eileen Leonard Ahl '46** and **Georgia Colwell Donovan '46** in Shinglehouse, PA.

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Janice Terry Sylvester, 1801 Wedgewood Way, Kissimmee, FL 34746 jncsylvester@aol.com

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Robert Garofalo recently edited the book and CD *Volume 3 of Wind Band/Ensemble Anthology: Folk Songs & Dances in the Second Suite F. Volumes 1, 3, 4 and 5* are now in print. FMI about this publication and to hear a sound clip from the CD, visit www.whirlwind-music.com

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Lew and Linda Dix '61 Lee celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at an open house held July 30 at Water's Edge Restaurant in Poyntelle, PA. Ten of the 98 attendees were Mansfield alumni. "Mansfield friends are forever!"

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Edna Nelson Logue, 930 Wattersonville Rd., Cowansville, PA 16218

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Laura Lee Spory Spiker, POB 3548486, Gainesville, FL 32635, retired after 39 years of elementary school teaching. She would love to hear from other Mansfieldians.

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Susan Fry Heil, retired teacher, actress, and grandmother, recently published a children's book, **Johnny, The Story of a Doll**, about a doll doctor's doll who comes to life and goes on daily adventures with his daughter in Lancaster, PA. To order a copy, write: Sue's Books, Box 13, Strasberg, PA 17579.

Terry Neufer tneuf1@hotmail.com

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John Quashnuc received the Snyder Alumni Appreciation Award at the 25th Annual Butsko Award Breakfast at MU in September. Austin Snyder '62 presented the award, which recognizes an alumnus for support and betterment of MU and the Mountaineer football program.

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Carolyn Poleo Dowling, West Chester, PA carolyn@dowling-assoc.com

Ed Gillis received the John "Jay" Atkins Mountie Award at the 25th Annual Butsko Award Breakfast at MU in September. This award is presented annually to a current or former Mountaineer football player who "has shown tremendous dignity and perseverance in overcoming adversity."

Dennis Miller, MU's public relations director, recently went live with Dennis R. Miller "Author" Facebook page, www.facebook.com/pages/Dennis-R-Miller/132100260209443. His new novel, *One Woman's Revenge*, was published in October. Please show your support by liking it, reading the pages and posts, and by letting him know what you think.

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William Robertson has released a new historical fiction novel entitled *The Bucktail Brothers of the Fighting 149th* that he co-wrote with David Rimer. The book relates the adventures of two farm boys from Wellsboro who join Company A of the "New Bucktails" of Civil War fame. To promote his latest novel, Robertson appeared recently on "Conversations," the MU TV talk show hosted by Dennis Miller. Visit www.youtube.com/watch?v=wjAgre9ulyE to view the program on YouTube. More information about Bill's writing is available on his website at www.bucktailsandbroomsticks.com

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Patrick McCarthy, Smallwood, NY pmcrthy@verizon.net

Edwin “Tony” Sobony, Columbus, OH ameripie7@aol.com retired from teaching in '01 and founded the American Pie Party, a quintessential diamond-in-the-rough 501 (c) (3) non-profit organization that fights cancer with Pie in the Face humor.

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Russell Jones, Charles Town, WV Russ_Sharon@comcast.net

Janice Krouskop, Signal Mountain, TN jankrd@aol.com was ordained as a Minister of the Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church USA in April. She serves as a hospital chaplain in Chattanooga, TN.

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Catherine Errico Mazur recently authored a children's book titled *Stanley Seagull* about a young seagull who wanders from home and tries to find his way back, learning about humans on his journey. FMI: www.StanleySeagull.com

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Dan Marrese, 214 Terrace St, Dunmore, PA 18512 mrmagoo214@comcast.net Dan writes of MU, "One great university – one great educational experience."

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John McCarthy has been named associate dean of the College of Education at Kutztown U. Dr. McCarthy was assistant dean for accreditation and assessment at the SUNY Oswego before accepting the Kutztown (PA) position.

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Allen Halstead , 289 Garage Place Rd., Ghent, NY 12075 allen12075@yahoo.com

Clifford Martin, Jr., Zephyrhills, FL

Mike Thraillkill , 231 Allen Rd., Porter Corners, NY 12859 mikethraillkill2010@gmail.com

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Richard Bylina authored his debut novel, *One Promise Too Many*, in July, the first in a series featuring Detective Roger Stark. *A Matter of Faith*, the follow-up novel, was planned for a September release.

Caroline Campbell-Twentier , 2175 Brewster Lane, Unit 1121, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577 the20ers@aol.com

James Sheeley, 119 Arapaho Trl. Branchburg, NJ 08876, has been appointed director of the Office of Visual and Performing Arts., Newark (NJ) Public Schools.

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Lois Mundy McGary ljmcgry@yahoo.com

Thomas Scott, Dryden, NY scotta@corning.com and wife Nilsa celebrated their 12th anniversary in July. The couple adopted two children from Vietnam in 09, Nico and Ariana, born just a month apart and now nearly 4 years old. Thomas writes, "Email me or connect to me through Facebook."

Tracy Winter Stritch, Carlisle, PA tistritch@comcast.net

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Karen Buttorff Morton, S. Williamsport, PA kmorton62@verizon.com

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Carolyn Rougeux Edwards, Nazareth, PA, writes: "Having a BA in psychology was a great start to my career. My passion has become teaching preschool children with special needs. Extremely rewarding!"

Lee Gernert-Larrea, assistant professor in the Social Sciences and Social Services Div. at Corning (NY) Community College, was granted tenure. Lee holds a bachelor's degree from Indiana U. and a master's from MU.

Karin Wulkowicz, Shillington, PA

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Brian Brown, 618 Mapleview Ct., Mt Laurel, NJ 18054 bbrown@reachlocal.com writes: "I took a long time deciding what I should choose as my major because I wanted to be sure I chose a field I would be happy in the rest of my life. I think it was the end of my second year when I was called in to the Admin. office and told I must declare a major. I chose Business Admin. due to the fact that any job you can get out there is ultimately working for some sort of business. I'm now a senior internet marketing consultant and very happy with my decision."

K. Sue Miller Young, MU Communications Dept. Chair, and Prof. Emeritus Howard Paul Travis have had their second book published this year. *Oral Communication: Skills, Choices, and Consequences, Third Edition* is an introductory communication skills textbook.

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Mark Nugent recently accepted the position of President of Professional Services with CompuGain Corporation. CompuGain was established in 2000 as a certified Minority-Owned Business Enterprise (MBE), and is a global provider of Professional Services and innovative IT solutions.

Martin Pane was appointed by unanimous vote of the Senate to the post of US Marshal for the Middle District of PA. He also served as acting marshal for the district since January 2011.

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Robert Mark Rodgers recently published a book on sales at McGraw-Hill, *Accelerate the Sale*. Shortly after publication, the book made INC Magazine's business book bestseller list.

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Vincent Comiskey, Chula Vista, CA vcomiskey@yahoo.com writes: "I have begun a new position, in a supervisory role with the new Wounded Warrior Regiment of the Marine Corps. The program serves wounded, injured and ill Marines, using sport as a part of their recovery."

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Robert Sunda, a four-year letter winner on the MU football team's offensive line in the late 80's and early 90's, has been selected as the 2011 Frank Butsko Award winner. The award, established in 86, is considered the most prestigious award a Mountaineer football player can achieve. It is given annually to a current or former member of the football program who best exemplifies Butsko's commitment to excellence and loyalty to his teammates and the program.

Steve Williams, 6719 Paseo San Leon, Pleasanton, CA 94566 stephwil@cisco.com

S. Benjamin Witmer, 229 Sinkler Dr., Wayne, PA 19087 sbwitmer12@yahoo.com

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Connie Stark Belden was diagnosed with colon cancer at age 32. She was able to make a full recovery due to her proactive, early detection of the cancer. Connie was recently featured as a calendar model cancer survivor in the 2012 Colondar produced by the national non-profit group, The Colon Club. The calendar features 13 men and women who surprisingly found they had colon cancer before the age of 50. To read more about each model's story, visit www.colondar.com

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Mark and Judy Onufrek '74 Harvey, Endwell, NY spiritbear@echoes.net This is Judy's 33rd year of teaching music at Maine-Endwell, and Mark's 10th year of teaching grades 7-12 art at Blue Ridge SD in New Millford, PA.

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Michelle Walker Lincoln has accepted a position with Evangelical Community Hospital, Lewisburg PA as the infection control practitioner.

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world. He thwarted terrorist plots while gaining confessions from al-Qaeda without use of force. To purchase, visit www.barnesandnoble.com

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Kyle Peck, St. Catharines, Ontario kpeck20@hotmail.com

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Jodi Ayres Farr gave birth to a son, Nolan Cade, in June.

Wade Jacoby, 3440 Cranmere La, York, PA 17402

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Tori Crawford Conway southern.yankee2010@yahoo.com

Vincent Simmons, 502 South St, Apt B2, Bristol, CT 06010 vincent.a.simmons@espn.com has been named head women's basketball coach at Lincoln College of New England.

John "Jay" Wieners will be promoted to lieutenant for the Parsippany (NJ) Police Dept. He was hired as a police dispatcher in '97 and in '00 was hired as a police officer. As a patrol officer, John received a lifesaving award and two exceptional duty awards.

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Amy Spaulding Buddemeier, Belcamp, MD amykts@aol.com was married to Jon Buddemeier in August. They recently rescued their first dog, a corgi named Stubbs.

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Andrew Taylor was promoted to partner of the law firm Weber Gallagher. Andrew focuses his practice in family law and regularly argues cases before the PA Superior Court. This year, Andrew was one of 27 PA attorneys under age 40 selected by The Legal Intelligencer as a "Lawyer on the Fast Track," an honor recognizing the future leaders of PA's legal community. In '08 and '11, he was recognized by the publisher of the PA edition of Super Lawyers magazine as a Rising Star, and honor given to only the top 2.5% of attorneys in PA who are 40 or younger or in practice for 10 years or less.

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Scott Grochowski was inducted into the Shenandoah Valley Athletic Hall of Fame in September. Scott excelled in football, basketball and baseball at SV HS, earning 10 varsity letters. After playing football at MU, Scott returned to SV and served as an offensive coordinator for current head coach Nick Sajone for 7 seasons.

Katie Drake Rhodes, Horseheads, NY KatieE.Rhodes@gmail.com

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Amy Faben-Wade, a licensed social worker in NY, was selected to write test questions for the North American Social Work licensing examinations. She works for Cayuga Addiction Recovery Services as a trainer and curriculum developer.

Melissa Shaffer-O'Connell accepted a position as instructor of political science in the School of Social Sciences at Lake Superior State U. She is completing a PhD in political science at Western Michigan U.

Lindsay Archer Thurston and **Adam Thurston** were married in October at Seneca Lake, Watkins Glen, NY. Lindsay is a social worker with the National Health Service and Adam is a constable in the Hertfordshire Constabulary, Hertfordshire, England. The couple honeymooned in Berlin, Germany and reside in Harpenden, Hertfordshire, England.

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Kristen Wiltse Ouellette kristen.w.ouellette@gmail.com

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Drew Grieshaber dgrieshaber@glenmillsschools.org staff recruiter and trainer for Glen Mills Schools, Concordville, PA, recently visited MU's Career Center, Alumni Relations and CJA depts. hoping to connect with current MU seniors and alumni who are interested in working at Glen Mills Schools and making a positive impact in the lives of troubled youth. FMI: Glen Mills School website, www.glenmillsschool.org, or contact Drew directly: 610-450-8100. ext. 233.

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Kyle Peck, Ontario, Canada kpeck20@hotmail.com

Alison White Williams, Enola, PA

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Jennifer Hardee chardeej@mounties.mansfield.edu

Sarah Stow Kelley has been promoted to asst. professor of reading at Jamestown (NY) Community College.

Sarah Livingston and **Jordan Allison '08** are engaged, and a June 2012 wedding is planned. Sara is a chemist for Lancaster Laboratories, Inc. and Jordan is employed as a fisheries biologist with the PA Fish and Boat Commission.

Toby Motyka, Sports Anchor for WHAM-TV (Rochester NY), is part of a team who recently received the New York State Broadcasters Award for "Best Broadcast in New York State." Their entry combined live broadcasts from three different games, including Motyka's coverage of a Rochester Institute of Technology women's hockey game. Toby previously spent three years as a news anchor for WENY-TV (Elmira NY).

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Heather Singley Schimpf and **Scott Schimpf '09** were married in June in Gettysburg, PA. The couple honeymooned in the Bahamas.

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Laura Shutts Fry and **Nathan Fry**, Williamsport, PA, were married in October, 2010. Laura is employed by Susquehanna Health as a Registered Nurse and Nathan is employed by JAB Livestock, Jersey Shore, PA, as a truck driver.

Heather Regnosky and **Andrew Stout** announced their engagement and are planning a June 2012 wedding.

Devin Sherman shermandl21@hotmail.com

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Anna Kuznetsova, 8-16 Martynovzky per., Moscow, Russia 109004 annaik@gmail.com will be in London, UK doing graduate studies in Art Business until the end of 2012.

Sarah Loher, Mansfield, PA loherse19@mounties.mansfield.edu

In Memoriam

Thelma Overpeck Roberts '26
Alice Severn Johnson '28
Phyllis Keagle Jones '39
Carl W. Costenbader '40
Olitha Sherman Wiseman '40
Clara West Escott '46
Marjory Eick Knowlden '46
William M. Johnson '49
Harold W. Kintner '49
Gordon S. Secor '49
Thomas F. Lynch '50
Marilyn Fehr Wood Mogan '50
Martha Ashby Barton '52
Cynthia Jaquish Love '55
Joan Speigel Simonetti '57
Allan H. Matthews '60
Carol Luzenski Durkish '61
Robert C. Sim '62
Ann C. Irving '63
Donna Lignian Wiggins '63
John L. Miller IV '64
Suzann Weidman Kannapel '66
Linda Hensel Austin '68
Elizabeth "Betty" Hall '70
Nancy Jo Lilly Werner '72
Mary Musette Osborne Park '73
Kathleen Coombs Soprano '73
Martha B. Wilde '78
Michael A. Carnovale '82
Larry Scott Stewart '83
Dawn Niemeyer Leach '91

Retired Faculty

Theodore M. Slabey

Retired Staff

R. Howard Kramer

Former Staff

Lois Kay Wandell

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"We've faced some challenges getting to this day, but it's very exciting to be here and realize our goal," Chuck Colby, associate vice president for Residence Life, said.

"It's very exciting" Anita Pfelegor, a junior Biology major from Milton, PA, said. "It's all new and beautiful. It's exciting to have my own room and a private bathroom."



The \$38 million dollar project is at the south end of campus. It was financed by the Mansfield Auxiliary Corporation (MAC) in cooperation with Mansfield University and is the first of a three phase-project to replace all residence halls on campus. MAC has contracted with the University to oversee the daily operation of the new residence halls.

"We're extremely pleased with the opening of the new residence halls," MAC President David Cummings said. "A lot of individuals dedicated many long, hard, volunteer hours in the development of these buildings, and seeing students moving in as scheduled is a great reward to us. We are certain that the students living in these residence halls will find it to be a unique experience in quality student living unmatched by any other institution in the State System. We are grateful for everyone connected to this project."



MAC is a 501(c)3 limited liability corporation comprised of Mansfield area business leaders and ex-officio members of the MU administration. The new residence halls were formally dedicated with a ribbon cutting ceremony on February 21.

Representatives of MAC and MU

gathered with students and staff, representatives of state, county and borough government, the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education and many others for the ceremony.

State Representative Matt Baker was among those praising the MAC Board and all involved in creating the first new student housing at Mansfield since 1976.

"This public-private collaboration and partnership is outstanding and I want to congratulate everyone on a job well done." Baker said.

"I'm really honored to be a Mountie, especially on days like this," Student Government Association President Thomas Thornton told the gathering. "We have everyone coming together and working together for a common goal, the benefit of our students."

"This is a great day for Mansfield University," Interim President Allan Golden said. "These two residence halls are beautiful and an important step in the revitalization of the university."

To see video of the new residence halls, go to youtube.com/mansfielduniversity

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He said that the Institute will work with all segments of the gas industry to help meet the educational needs of employees as well as developing academic programs to prepare MU students for careers in the field.

"The sustainability of the tremendous opportunities offered from shale gas development is dependent on meeting the educational and training needs of our first-class workforce," Pennsylvania Governor Tom Corbett said. "I applaud Mansfield University and its partners for launching this exciting new Institute."

Lindsey Sikorski has been named interim director of the Institute. Sikorski previously served as director of Community Relations at the university.

"Lindsey's past involvement, skill, and experience leading workforce development initiatives as well as her current relationship with industry and involvement with the ShaleNET (workforce) grant program make her an ideal candidate for this position," Golden said. He added that the SeaTrax safety training program taught on campus and coordinated through Sikorski's department has now trained almost 5,000 gas and oil workers for Shell from areas throughout the U.S.

State Representative Matt Baker who helped spearhead the Institute's creation, said, "Thank you also for all the hard work and vision of Mansfield University to offer new and exciting educational opportunities for students preparing to work in the energy industry. It makes great sense that Mansfield University should be the pre-eminent state university that provides students with exceptional and qualified educational credentials to enter high paying jobs locally and throughout the region and Commonwealth since Tioga and Bradford Counties are the top two counties in Pennsylvania with the most Marcellus natural gas wells in the state."

"I am pleased that Mansfield University is working with leaders of the Marcellus Shale industry to provide necessary educational programs to further advance the job opportunities in this field," Senator Joe Scarnati stated. "Without question, this is of great benefit to the working families and job creators in this region."

The Institute is being formed at the same time the university is proposing new associate and bachelor's degree programs that will prepare graduates for the fast growing gas and gas-related industries, Golden said.

"The Institute," Baker added "compliments the already highly successful Geography/Geology Department whose graduates have been moving directly into full employment with the gas industry."

"These proposed programs and the Marcellus Shale Institute are a direct response to industry needs," Golden said. "As a public liberal arts institution in the heart of Marcellus Shale, Mansfield University is in a unique position to continue to develop programs that prepare our students for a variety of careers in this burgeoning industry."

For more information, go to mansfield.edu/marcellus-institute/

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DoBell comes to Mansfield after two years as vice president for Administration & Finance at Texarkana College in Texas. Prior to that he spent eight years as executive director of the University of Illinois Research Park. DoBell worked at the Iowa State University Research Park as business director and the Iowa State Research Foundation as business manager before going to Illinois. He holds a Ph.D from Illinois and a master's and bachelor's degree from Iowa State.

Parker comes to MU after two years at South Dakota. Prior to that he spent seven years at Texas Christian University (TCU), first as assistant dean of campus life and then as director of student activities. He began his career at the University of Oklahoma, holding a number of positions in student life during four years there. Parker holds a Ph.D from TCU and a master's and bachelor's degree from Oklahoma.



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In addition to operating her own private practice, Haynesworth also serves her community by practicing at Child Health Associates in Warrenton, VA, where she is starting the first "Reach Out and Read" program in Fauquier County to improve literacy of at-risk pre-school children. She also provides care for families in Spanish, which she learned during her residency.



"One of the best ways that you can positively impact your world is to make a point to give back," she told the graduates. "Your service as a volunteer in your field can help the future generations. Whatever you end up doing, or wherever you live, please take a few hours of your time on a regular basis to positively impact your world through service."

To see Hayneworth's speech, go to youtube.com/mansfielduniversity

Lynn Pifer, English professor and director of the Frederick Douglass Institute at MU, was presented with the Diversity Ally Award. The award is presented to an individual who demonstrates an exceptional commitment to diversity and cultural awareness and who celebrates individuality and uniqueness.

Also during Commencement, Vice-Chair Lewis Lee '62 spoke on behalf of the Council of Trustees, Diana Rizzo Petlock '04, Alumni Association Board member, gave the alumni greeting and President Adam Simmonds, a graduating senior himself, represented the Student Government Association. The MU Brass Band, conducted by Nathan Rinnert, provided musical accompaniment for the event.

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A kids' fun run will be held while the runners are out on the course.

Bridgeman, a math professor at MU for 36 years, began long distance running in 1976 and brought to the sport the integrity he took everywhere he went. He loved the sport and the people who participated. He also loved our community and did much to improve it.

The Bob Bridgeman 5K Memorial Run honors his memory by returning all proceeds from this race to the Mansfield area. Last year the organizations that benefited were: MU Cross Country, MHS Cross Country, the Bob Bridgeman Memorial Scholarship Fund at MU, the Second Chance Animal Sanctuaries, and the Mansfield Firemen's Ambulance Association. In addition, five \$100 scholarships were awarded to each graduating MHS senior who ran cross country.

The Bob Bridgeman Scholarship is awarded to an incoming freshman who ranks in the top 25 percent of their high school class, has a minimum SAT score of 1000 and demonstrates the highest traits of leadership, citizenship and character, and shows evidence of providing service to people or animals and a willingness and desire to continue to do so in the future.

FMI: call Roger Learn, (570) 297-3271; Fred Davis, (570) 662-3600; or go to jeffbridgeman.com/5k/ to download a race form.

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Alumni Weekend 2012

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Relive the happy moments of your college days!

Alumni Weekend is a special time for alumni and friends to gather together - so mark it on your calendar and join your friends and classmates on campus **June 8 and 9, 2012**.

Interested in finding out who's coming to Alumni Weekend 2012? [Click here](#) to see a list of registrations, organized in chronological order by class year. This list will be updated daily (pending registrations received).

Honored guests will include the Class of 1962, Society of Honors inductees, retired faculty, as well as all classes with years ending in 2 and 7. The planned activities will provide opportunities to get reacquainted and to see what's new and exciting at Mansfield.

Special Events

NEW! Nature Photography Workshop

Lee Hoar, President of the [Grand Canyon Photography Club](#), will be providing a Nature Photography workshop on **Saturday from 3 PM to 4:30 PM**. Participants will gather in 307 Alumni Hall for a short presentation, then Lee will lead you on a walk around campus so you can sharpen your skills! Cost is \$5 per person and space is limited so register early and don't forget your camera!

NEW! Class of 1962 Sunday Brunch - see below for more information.

Kelchner Fitness Center

Alumni are invited to use [Kelchner Fitness Center](#) on Thursday, Friday and Saturday free of charge. We have a new climbing wall at KFC! Bicycles are available for use on a daily basis (photo ID and signed waiver required). When you arrive on campus, check your registration packet for fitness center hours and demonstration times for the climbing wall.

On-Campus Housing

Check out the [suite-style](#) living available in the new residence facilities which opened in January 2012. Oak and Hickory are located on Morris Drive, directly behind Doane and each individual unit is climate controlled and includes a microfridge and private bathroom. Experience the "suite-life" on one of the guided tours or firsthand by reserving a room for the weekend! Shuttle service will be provided to and from center campus.



Bicycle the scenic [Pine Creek Trail](#) in the beautiful [Pennsylvania Grand Canyon](#). Contact John at [Pine Creek Outfitters](#) (5142 Rt. 6, 24 miles west of Mansfield) 570-724-3003 to make a reservation (mention MU Alumni Weekend 2012). The \$33 fee includes bicycle, 17-mile self-guided journey to Blackwell (approx. 3 hours), and a return shuttle from Blackwell to Pine Creek Outfitters. Open daily 9 AM - 6 PM. Bring your camera to capture photos of the beautiful flora and fauna.



For other interesting things to see and do in Tioga County, PA visit <http://www.visittiogapa.com> and <http://mansfield.org>.

Friday, June 8

The annual Alumni **Golf Tournament** will be held at the Corey Creek Golf Club with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Proceeds from the competition help fund athletic scholarships for Mansfield University students. Entry fee covers all fees, most contests (duffers, skins and mulligans) and includes lunch. The "Kappa" challenge continues....



FMI contact Roger Maisner, director of athletics at rmaisner@mansfield.edu or 570-662-4636 or Kris Decker, kdecker@mansfield.edu or 570-662-4466.

Throughout the day students will host **tours of North Hall, bus tours of campus and tours of the new residence facilities**. You'll want to save some time for shopping at the [Campus Bookstore](#) located in Alumni Hall.



Lobsterfest! The tradition continues... Join us for a delicious feast of lobster, shrimp and Steamship Round of Beef. Sit back, relax, and savor the delicious food and the wonderful company. And then make sure you have your dancing shoes as we enjoy the music of **Reprise 60s** - featuring your favorite dance tunes from the 60s and more! Beatles anyone? Complimentary adult beverages.

Saturday, June 9

Following the **Class Meetings** and **Class Photos**, we'll be honoring class years ending in **2** and **7** with special recognition for the **Class of 1962**, retired faculty and the newest members of the Alumni Society of Honors at **Saturday's Luncheon**. Reunion classes will be seated together.



Following lunch, there will be student-hosted **tours of North Hall**, guided **bus tours of campus**, guided **tours of the new residence facilities** and the annual **Create Your Own Ice Cream Sundae**.

Be prepared to enjoy the Ninth Annual College Place **Tennis Ball Race** – a FUNdraising (spectator) event to benefit the MU Women's Soccer Team! Contact Coach Tim Dempsey for more information tdempsey@mansfield.edu or 570-662-4454.

Sigma Tau Gamma will be holding a reunion at Corey Creek Golf Club from **1 - 7 PM**. FMI contact Gary Wesmiller '69 at wesmiller821@comcast.net or Ray Judge '69 at susqbeach@comcast.net.

Sunday, June 10

Class of 1962 & Friends - Bring your memories and stories to the "Morning After" Brunch at Bonnie Lugg Kyofski's in Nelson, PA at **11 am**. For questions, directions, or to RSVP, please contact Bonnie at kyofski@epix.net or 570-827-3231.

[Click here](#) to view a video of Alumni Weekend 2011.

Local Accommodations - information regarding off-campus accommodations and activities are provided as a courtesy. No endorsements by Mansfield University are implied.

[Click here](#) for a printable version of the Alumni Weekend brochure.



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Join your friends and classmates on campus June 8 & 9 when we'll be celebrating all classes with years ending in 2 and 7. At Saturday's Reunion Luncheon honored guests will include the Class of 1962 (celebrating their Golden Anniversary), retired faculty and administrators, and the 2012 Society of Honors Inductees: Elsie Burk Service, Carol Himmelreich Brann '60; Alumni Citation, David Wennergren '80; Distinguished Educator, Dr. James Ploskonka '83 Outstanding Young Alumnus, Larry M. Hake '87, M'96. Friday evening will include the popular "LobsterFest" and then "Reprise 60s" will crank up the tunes from the 60s, 70s and more! On-campus accommodations will be available in our new climate-controlled suite-style residence facilities. Rooms include a microfridge and private bathroom. Complete schedule and on-line registration at alumni.mansfield.edu/AW2012.

Upcoming Events:

The annual "Mansfield Day in Eagles Mere" luncheon, hosted by Marjorie Cole Lee '44 is scheduled for Wednesday, August 1 at the Crestmont Inn. Contact the Alumni Office to register.

Alumni Gather in the Sunshine State

The Alumni Office recently hosted a series of events on the west coast of Florida. On March 3, alumni & friends gathered for lunch at the Palm-Aire Country Club in Sarasota. Recent graduate Jesse Martins '11 spoke about his experience at Mansfield (MA in Collaborative Piano), traveling with the MU Concert Choir to Wales where he provided the piano accompaniment for their award-winning performances, and his current position as the Youth Opera Music Director at the Sarasota Opera. Jesse performed two beautiful piano pieces: "Isolde's Death of Love" and "Adios Nonino by A. Piazzolla". MU Interim President, Dr. Allan Golden provided remarks on current Mansfield happenings and also spoke at the luncheon in Naples on March 5 where we were joined by retired MU president, Rod Kelchner and his wife, Joan.

On March 6 we were in Ft. Myers where Tony Flamingo '73 hosted a "windy" golf outing at Pelican Preserve and his wife, Tish Fallon Flamingo '72 assisted with the luncheon at Bistro 41.

A big thank you to Donna Congdon Mokrzynski '55, Don Stanton '53 and their spouses, Stosh and Jane, for helping with all aspects of the Sarasota events.

Visit the Alumni Website to view photos, alumni.mansfield.edu, select "Communications" and then "Photo Gallery." Enjoy!

Refer a Student

Refer a student to Mansfield at any time by completing the online form at alumni.mansfield.edu/referastudent. Thank you for your help and recommendations!

Save the Date:

Homecoming 2012 – October 12 & 13. Check the alumni website for updates and additional information.

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Class Notes

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Joanne Sharpless Cruse, 625 Newark Rd, Kennett Sq, PA 19348

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John Pontin, 42 Iroquois Dr, Royersford, PA 19468 nitnop1621@comcast.net
notes that Phi Sigma Kappa is returning to Mansfield in April. John, **Bill Russell '67** and **Rick Bollinger '68** started the original branch at MU back in 1966.

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Antonia Landimarino DeLuca, 498 Laurel Valley Dr, Rivers Edge Plantation, Shallotte, NC 28470 delucat@atmc.net

Laura Lee Spory Spiker, POB 358486, Gainesville, FL 32635

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Sandra Rodgers Kokinda, president of the Western Pocono Asso. of Family and Consumer Sciences, has completed a 150-page book, *A Legacy Shared: Home Economics -- Family and Consumer Sciences in Carbon County, PA*. The 150-page book includes historical background information on individuals who taught in the five school districts as well as an 8-page insert of illustrations.

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Gary Parker will serve as the Region 3 director (11 counties of NE PA) for the PA Asso. of School Retirees for 2012-13. Gary retired from teaching math in 2004 from the Montrose Area SD.

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Michael De Vito is the founder and director of New Start Treatment Center (4anewstart.com) in Henderson, NV. In December he wrote and released the book, *Addiction: The Master Keys to Recovery*. Michael has been treating substance abuse and addictive behavior for over 30 years. FMI go to the publisher's website at AddictionRecoveryKeys.com

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Darren McCann, North Plainfield, NJ darrenmccann@comcast.net
is director of music (part-time) at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Bound Brook, NY, and founder/director of a central NJ-based chamber chorale, The Deer Ridge Singers.

Linda Nagy Paul lnpaul@earthlink.net

writes: "I loved teaching special ed and truly miss it, but retirement is great!"

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Virginia Bailey Phillips gingerfl@tampabay.rr.com
earned a doctorate in adult and continuing education from the U. of South Florida in December 2011.

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Debra VanDelinder, Elmira, NY dvandelinder@stny.rr.com

was selected to participate in Decadence, and exhibition at EVOKE Contemporary, Santa Fe, NH in July 2011. Debb works in Scanography, the process of capturing digitized images of objects to create printable art. Debb was first recognized nationally in 2002 when she was chosen as one of 30 international digital artists for the MacWorld Digital Art Gallery Exhibition. She currently teaches high school art and photograph in Elmira and is an adjunct faculty member of the Art Dept. at Elmira College. To view the exhibition catalog visit evokecontemporary.com/index_catalogue.html evokecontemporary.com/index_decadence_catalogue.htm; to see work by VanDelinder visit debbvandelinder.com.

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Mark Nugent, Washington, DC mark.nugent@compugain.com

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Catherine Flynn, Englewood, NJ katieoflynn@yahoo.com

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Lorena Beniquez

a native of Dallas, PA, wrote, produced and directed a documentary titled *Williamsport Art Attack* which features the revitalization of the City of Williamsport, PA through a budding art scene. The documentary debuted on WVIA-TV, ch. 44, on Feb.6, 2012.

Vincent Comiskey, Chula Vista, CA vcomiskey@yahoo.com

has begun a supervisory position with the new Wounded Warrior Regiment of the Marine Corps. The program services combat wounded, injured and ill Marines, using sport as part of their recovery.

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Christopher Johannessen, Allentown, PA cody.papa@gmail.com Twitter at

@measurefuture

was named a member of the research council of the Wharton Customer Analytics Initiative, a specialty research center at the Wharton School of Business, U of Pennsylvania. Chris also serves on the research committee of the Web Analytics Asso. and is now employed with Barclaycard US where he oversees digital analytics and optimization initiatives. Chris has 3 sons and a daughter who is the “scene stealer” of family gatherings.

Robert Rowe

was hired as a project manager for the Energy Services Div. at RETTEW, an engineering firm providing transportation and environmental consulting, planning and surveying services.

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Duane Hyland DuaneH@alaa.org

made a guest appearance on The Space Show with Dr. David Livingston on March 19. A communication specialist and grassroots public policy coordinator at the Am. Inst. of Aeronautics and Astronautics, Reston, VA, as well as the dir. of forensics at Lake Braddock Secondary School, Burke, VA, discussed improving messaging and advocacy in the American space community in a show entitled “Debate to Win.” The Space Show is America’s only talk show dealing with space policy and technology, and is broadcast live to over 50 nations on the world wide web.

Jennifer Russell Landis jen.landis@yahoo.com

expects completion of her associate's degree in Risk Management in March. She is a supervisor in risk management in a luxury home-building company in Horsham, PA.

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Christopher McGann, Millersburg, PA mcgannc42@gmail.com

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Tim Savage

has been named head coach of the high school football program for the Williams Valley (PA) SD. Tim's coaching experience includes: assistant at Williams Valley 1996-97, MU offensive line 1998, assistant at Upper Dauphin, PA 1999-2007, and defensive coordinator at Williams Valley 2008-11.

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Patrick Manwiller, Leesport, PA patrickm1717@gmail.com

started a video production company that he took to new heights in 2011. “Your Day Productions” specializes in weddings, corporate videos, and event videos.

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Andre Canniere

Group's UK debut *Forward Space* was released on Whirlwind Recordings in January. It is available for purchase on several online sites, and you can listen to clips of the tracks if you visit Amazon. us2.campaign-archive2.com/?u=b0408652861532b8da5473fe7&id=ed528b6622&e=162606c63b or andrecanniere.com/

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Todd Bailey's first feature indie flick is now available worldwide via Amazon Instant Streaming. Check out *The Morretti House* at amazon.com/dp/B007B9Q4RG/ref=tsm_1_fb_lk.

Andrew and Holly Loeffler Glover welcomed the birth of a baby girl, Emmeline Anne, in March 2012.

Melissa Kirkman and **Timothy May** are engaged. Melissa is employed as a geospatial analyst with SAIC in Chantilly, VA, and Tim works as a service software architect with ScienceLogic in Reston, VA. The couple plan a wedding on the beach in the Bahamas in May.

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Kimberly Cardone, 903 Stowell Dr, Rochester, NY 14616 kimberly.cardone@rochester.edu is the associate director of advancement communications at the U of Rochester, working with colleagues in the development and alumni relations offices.

Megan Byrnes Plank megan.plank@gmail.com

Stephanie Adams Ulmer recently accepted a new position at Bloomsburg University Foundation, as Asso. Dir. of Prospect Research and Management.

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Brianna Strope briannastrophe@gmail.com

joined the law office of Michael J. Giangrieco in Montrose, PA, as an associate attorney in April 2011.

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Michelle Chandler babytwingirl@hotmail.com

Vanessa Leone and **Timothy Parker** are engaged and plan a June wedding in Fayetteville, NC. Vanessa is a second grade teacher in the Sampson County Schools, Clinton, NC. Timothy is a service technician with T.D. Plumbing Services.

Wendy Moss Reber

was recently named the community liaison for Animal Care Sanctuary in Wellsboro, PA. Wendy has done volunteer work for Greyhound Pets of America in Largo, FL, Southeastern Guidedogs in Palmetto, FL, and Second Chance Animal Sanctuaries, based in Tioga County. Formerly, she owned and operated the Artisan's Shoppe in Wellsboro.

Ashleigh Sheets and **Doug Madison** are engaged and plan a June wedding. Ashleigh works with Great Plains in Mansfield, PA, and Doug is employed with Arbor Housing in Big Flats, NY.

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April Hoodak, New Albany, PA april1978@epix.net

Ross Whiting and **Ashley Johnson '08** are engaged. Ashley is employed by Hahnemann U. Hospital, Philadelphia, as an RN, and Ross teaches high school music for the Philadelphia SD. The couple is planning a July wedding in Bloomsburg, PA.

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Teresa Batroney and **Daniel Bruce** are engaged and plan a June wedding in Elmira, NY. Teresa is employed as a mental health therapist in Elmira with her LMHC/LP, and Daniel works with the NYS Dept. of Corrections.

Allen Keim and **Sarah Bierly**, both of Jersey Shore, PA, were married in October 2011.

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Jason Bump and **Mary Hetzel**, both of Liberty, NY, are engaged and plan to marry in June.

Isaac Pragle, 4440 Waterbury Hill Rd, POB 58, Avoca, NY 14809 isaacpragle@gmail.com

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Samantha Schrum Longworth, Red Lion, PA samantha@aquamarinetravel.net

Michael Sisto

has been appointed to the board of directors of The Susquehanna River Archaeological Center. Mike is pursuing his master's degree in Museum Studies from Johns Hopkins U.

In Memoriam

Laura Brainard Allyn '31
Alice Smith Bailey '32
Elizabeth Barner Bresee '32
Clyde W. Bresee '37
Marian Aumick Darrow '39
Ada DeWalt Davis '41
Jess W. Jones '41
Ethel Mae Diem Keister '41
Ernestine Stuart Allen '42
Eloise Chaffee Baldwin '43
Esther Marshall Miller '50
Douglas William Weigel '52
Quentin J. Masolotte '56
Shirley Prey Wentzel '56
Robert A. Denning '57
Kenneth J. Cruse '58
Lois Rohrbach Feichtl '58
Louis J. Lantz '58
Duane F. Englehart '60
Susan Sundberg Welch '60
Gilbert Schmidt '62
Mildred Parker Sim '62
Caroline Castellani Fearn '63
Stefana Hoyniak Shoemaker '63
Karen Glassmoyer Roethlein '68
Michael Acresti '69
Diana Berryman Cuneo '70
Ina Cook Neal '71
Donald R. Barnes '74
Agnes Morris MacInnis '79
Timothy C. Bubb '83
Allan B. Spicer '86
Thomas G. Skelding '88
Deborah Smith Stella '88
Dorothy Johnson Adams '89
Shannon E. Chubon '05

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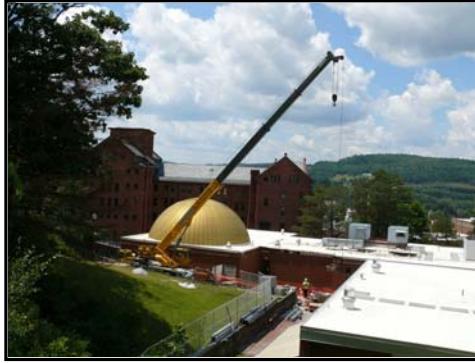
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Grant Science Center is undergoing major renovations, some that will be completed by the beginning of the new academic year, some that will continue during the year--with special efforts being made to minimize the impact on students and faculty, and others will be completed next summer.

Robert T. Maxson Track at Karl Van Norman Field this summer has been getting its most extensive upgrade since the 1960s. A new eight-lane track has been installed and new throwing and jumping areas have been put in place.

At the Council of Trustees meeting in May, plans to install artificial turf and lights at Van Norman Field were announced with that work expected to take place next summer.

"This will be the finest facility of its kind in Tioga County and beyond," James Parker, vice president for Student affairs, said. "It's something the university and community will both take great pride in, and make great use of, for many years to come."

Construction of the new water treatment plant continues. It should be online in January of next year.

There is a new parking lot for commuter students next to Allen Hall.

Two classrooms in Retan Center have been converted to one large lecture hall and classrooms in Elliot Hall and Butler Center have been renovated.

One practice room in Butler Center has been completely renovated. It will be used as a recording studio and small recital hall, while continuing to serve as a classroom.

"That project and work on several others around campus are being done by MU personnel at a significant savings to the University," Daniel DoBell, Vice President for Finance and Administration, said. "Scott Williams (Physical Plant director) and his team are doing great work."

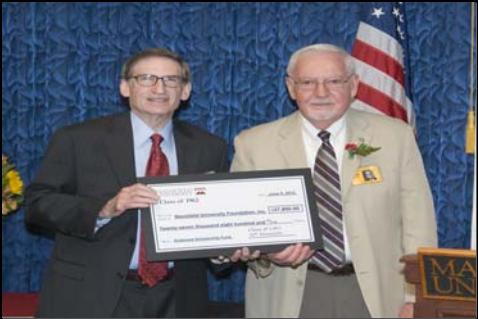
The changes won't stop this summer. Funds for the renovation of Straughn Hall have been appropriated. Eckles Architecture & Engineering, Inc., the firm that oversaw the North Hall restoration, has been awarded the contract.

"These investments are being made to improve and grow the University," Interim President Allan Golden said. "MU is alive and well; it's active; it's growing."

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at a luncheon, along with all classes with years ending in two and seven, retired faculty, administrators and staff. The Class of '62 endowed a scholarship fund as a special gift to the University.

Also honored at the luncheon were this year's Society of Honors award winners.

David M. Wennergren '80 received the Alumni Citation Award. **Carol Himmelreich Brann '60** was presented with the Elsie Burke Service Award. **Larry M. Hake '87, M '96** was named this

year's Outstanding Young Alumni. The Distinguished Educator Award was presented to **James Ploskonka '83**.

"It has been wonderful meeting so many of you over the last day and a half," Interim President Allan Golden told the luncheon gathering. "I've been in the PASSHE system for over 30 years and have not had the pleasure of spending such quality time with alumni. You are the backbone of our institution. You give us history, memories, and a sense of pride that no one else can provide. I am glad to have had the opportunity to be part of alumni weekend as your interim president."

After describing several of the improvements and projects that are, or soon will be, taking place on campus, Golden concluded by saying, "MU is alive and well; it's active; it's growing; and hopefully it's an institution that you are proud to call your alma mater."

The weekend also featured several social events—offering opportunities to renew acquaintances and make new ones, as well as tours of campus, a special gathering for alumni of Sigma Tau Gamma and a golf tournament at Corey Creek Golf Club, which serves as a fundraiser for athletic scholarships. The team of Matt Baker, Ken Gaudi, Erick Coolidge and Jack Showers were this year's winners.



To see pictures from Alumni Weekend, go to alumni.mansfield.edu and mark your calendars for Alumni Weekend 2013!

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"The competition was particularly intense this year with the judges awarding more Bronze and Silver rankings than ever before," MU Director Peggy Dettwiler said. "To receive a Gold Medal in a championship round, a choir must achieve at least 80 of 100 points accumulated from seven judges on an international jury."



For more information, including pictures and videos, go to 2012worldchoirgames.com/

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Interim President Allan Golden told the graduates, "In my 40 plus year career in higher education, this is my first opportunity to stand before a graduating class. I cherish this



moment especially since it's occurring at Mansfield University. In my 16 months here, first as Interim Vice President for Finance and Administration and now as Interim President, I have developed a deep affection for Mansfield. I know you will cherish the moment as a graduate."

Harold C. Shields, principal in Harold C. Shields HR Consulting, LLC and a member of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Board of Governors, was the speaker. With a theme of leadership, Shields recounted learning early on from his grandmother, uncles and others about what

it truly means to be a leader.

"You can boil all the leadership catch-phrases and buzz-words down to three simple phrases, sort of like the sap from the maple tree is boiled to make syrup," he said. "... you must, first imagine it, second, communicate it, and third, get 'er done! That may be a slight over-simplification. It takes much more than reading or hearing about leadership, or even speaking the word leadership, or being anointed as a leader, to be an effective one."

To see Shields' entire speech, go to [youtube.com/mansfielduniversity](https://www.youtube.com/mansfielduniversity)

Amanda Ward of Troy, PA was named this year's Outstanding Senior. Ward graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in History and Political Science. She worked two jobs while pursuing her degree; one as a supplemental instructor on campus and the other as a supervisor at the Martha Lloyd Community Services Home for developmentally challenged adults. Ward plans on pursuing a Ph.D. program in Russian history.

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Beam, who earned her Bachelor's degree in 1971, manages projects for Research Triangle International's Office of Strategic Analysis, Communications and Business at the NASA Research Center in Hampton, VA.

"The years you spent here not only give you a degree, it's going to give you a phenomenal foundation for where you go from here," Beam told the graduates.

Using a kaleidoscope as a metaphor on how to see, deal with, and be ready for change, Beam said, "Opportunities are out there, take advantage of them and, when need be, use your kaleidoscope."

The Graduation Celebration brings together graduates and university administration, faculty and staff on the day before Commencement. Special recognition is given to the candidates for outstanding senior.

Alumni Association President Amy Dupree Brooks '80 welcomed the graduates to the ranks of MU alumni and urged them to stay connected with their soon to-be alma mater.

The event is made possible by the support of Professors Lee and Kathy Wright '82, The MU Alumni Association, The Office of the Provost, The Association of Pennsylvania State College & University Faculties (AFSCUF), and The American Federation of State, County & Municipal Workers (AFSCME).



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"We are very grateful to the Board of Governors for their support of our program initiatives as evidenced by their approval of two new academic programs," MU Interim President Allan Golden said. "These programs will enable Mansfield University to help meet the workforce development needs of our region while expanding career opportunities for our students."

The new degree in Natural Gas Production and Services is designed to prepare graduates for various career paths in the natural gas industry. The five concentrations within the program—permitting and inspection specialist, mud logging/geology specialist, environmental specialist, geographic information systems specialist and safety management specialist—have been identified by industry employers as well as major corporations in the Northern Tier of PA as meeting a critical need. The program is closely aligned with the emerging and growing careers in the drilling industry as outlined by the Pennsylvania Independent Oil and Gas Association.

Mansfield's program in Safety Management is designed to prepare graduates for the expanding Marcellus Shale industry and associated energy businesses that need safety professionals. It also will prepare graduates for a range of occupational health and safety positions in other industries, both regionally and globally.

The state Department of Environmental Protection has indicated a strong demand for safety workers, as has the PA Statewide Marcellus Workforce Needs Assessment.

Both new programs were developed in close collaboration with industry as part of its newly established Marcellus Institute at Mansfield University.

"Mansfield University is a public liberal arts institution," Golden said. "We're in the heart of Marcellus Shale, and that puts us in the unique position to continue to fulfill our mission, serving not only our area but the entire Commonwealth."

Employees Honored For Service & Dedication

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Employees who have served MU for 10, 15, 20, 25, 35 and 40 years were honored. Faculty were recognized by academic year. People who have retired or will be retiring through summer 2012 were also recognized.

The following individuals were honored:

Ten years: Belinda Bernum, Gregory Black, Barbara Butcher, Gregory Carson, Leslie Clifford, Timothy Dempsey, Matthew Haner, Shawndra Holderby, Premalatha Junius, Cynthia Keller, Daniel Mason, Lisa Parker, Michael Rohl, Michelle Rohl, Melanie Seymour, Barbara Smith, Ryan Stanley, John Szentesy

Fifteen Years: Laurie Buck, Paul Delosa, Mark Hitsman, Monica Miller, Brian Oakes, Christine Shegan, Katherine Starks, Norma Stiner, Martha Whitehouse, Gregori Zagozewski

Twenty Years: Lori Cass, Colleen Devine, Edgard Domenech, Barry Ganong, Kevin Jackson, Annette Mase, Debra Padgett, Alan Seymour, Gayle Thompson

Twenty-five years: Judith Brayer, Bruce Carpenter, Harry Hillson, Sheran Lawton, Clarence Lienhard, Joseph Murphy



Thirty-five years: Stephen McEuen

Forty years: Ira Newman

Employees who have retired or officially announced they will retire: Joseph Chapel, Michael Crum, Thomas Elsasser, Benjamin Jones, John Kingsley, Susan Krieger, Lou Labuski-Brown, Maravene Loeschke, Christopher Vaughn

Kathy Wright '82, professor of Nutrition in the Department of Health Sciences, was named Employee of the Year. Wright also co-chairs MU's Middle States Accreditation Steering Committee.

The Employee Recognition Committee selected Wright after a campus-wide nomination process. Russell Dodson, Geography & Geology Department chair and Dennis Murray, Psychology Department chair, were also nominated.

The Campus Technologies Department received the Spotlight Award, which is given annually to a department that exemplifies the four facets of the Mansfield Creed: Character, Scholarship, Culture and Service.

The Campus Technologies Department staff consists of Alan Johnson, Brad Stettler, Cliff Wiles, Derek Furry, Herb Frank, Holly Correll, John Maslar, Kim Hulslander, Loren McNett, Mark Polonia, Matt Reed, Melanie Seymour, Phil Ogden, Suzanne Murphy, Tamela Bastion, Todd Seibert, Tom Wilson, Wendi Route and William Tuttle.

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Postcard Campaign volunteers:

Brianna Alderfer '07 '11M, Corey Meola Applegate '03, Michele Avery '73, Sally Bair '74, Melody Emerson Basta '99, Joan Cole Berney '86, Elwood Boone '71, Mary Chase Bowser '75 '76, Carol Himmelreich Brann '60, Anne Metarko Brooks '02, Timothy Bupp '07, Leah Bush '03, Kimberly Cardone '04, Lori Moore Cass '94 '96 '03, Michelle Chandler '06, Kira Brock Christopher '10, JoAnn Nesgoda Coleman '78, Tracey Dukert '11M, Amber Ellixson '10, Beverly Wilber Evans '69 '71M, Tammy Moore Felondis '95, Ann Roggenbaum Fitzgerald '93, Anthony Grego '92, Alyssa Klementisz Guers '00, Jennifer Harton '05, Shelby Derry Holden '01, Jeffrey Howe '04, Shanna Hubbs Danielson '08, Rebecca Ingalls '11, Pamela Pfeegor Kemp '76, Sharon Mokrzynski Kendrick '81, Karen Klahold '87, Stephanie Klegarth '08, Elizabeth Kois '07, Susan Schlosser Krug '06, Suzanne Yeager Litzenberger '01, Deborah Long Mahan '72, Marsha Earley Malinich '54, Anita Martin Marino '94, Joline Spencer Martin '08, Linda Roberts Miller '76, Richard Miller '84, Cliff Morales '96, James Moyer '02, Joyce Spahr Moyer '70, Laura Frederick Nagorny '93, Diana Rizzo Petlock '04, Ashley Pfeil '10, Tiffany Pheasant '10, Maria Valenzano Prince '02, Rod Pursell '88, John Quashnock '70, Kelly Ann Murray Ryan '05, Barbara Ambers Scholl '98, Robert Shorb '76, Adam Simmonds '11, Donna Stuart Simpson '78 '83M, Nicole Welshans Staron '03, Rachel Matulewicz Staub '01, Andrea Whittaker Swain '02, Jessica Thomas '00, Elizabeth Hill Thoren '90, Nikki Ruth Tobias '03, Krista Tyner '04, Brian Ulmer '05, Stephanie Adams Ulmer '04, Patricia Baker VanDruff '78, Carol Ohms Walmer '78, Sarah Gingrich Williams '02 '04M, Steven Winnie '99.

Admissions Reception volunteers:

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Lewisburg: Carol Himmelreich Brann '60, Amy Dupree Brooks '80, Leta Jo Myers Mau '73, Katie McConville '09, Brian Ulmer '05, Stephanie Adams Ulmer '04. Sayre: Sharon Mokrzynski Kendrick '81. Lancaster: Mindy Miller Rottmund '81, Jerry Wood '77 '78. Harrisburg: Joyce Cal '94 '97M, Jerry Wood '77 '78. King of Prussia: Joan Cole Berney '86, Michael Plank '01. Bethlehem: Arky Colon '88, Rich Miller '84, Rod Pursell '88, Cindy Corrigan Smichowski '87, Todd Strohe '86. Scranton: Judy Smallacombe Cook '93, Pamela Palka Kahn '78, Christian Spangenberg '81, Lisa Chipak Spangenberg '81. Williamsport: Amy Dupree Brooks '80, Brian Ulmer '05, Stephanie Adams Ulmer '04. Mansfield: Brian Barden '76 '82M, Beverly Wilber Evans '69 '71M, Harland Evans '64 '69M, Rob Kathcart '95 '99 '02M. Philadelphia: Jamie Hall '03, Katie Doyle Parsell '00.

NEW YORK

Rochester: Brandy Lingenfelter Coppini '02. Binghamton: Anita Martin Marino '94, Laura Frederick Nagorny '93, Elyse Papa '93.

NEW JERSEY

Morristown: Anthony Grego '92.

For more information on volunteer opportunities, visit alumni.mansfield.edu and click on "Get Involved". Complete the volunteer interest form or contact the Alumni Relations office at 888-305-6505 or alumni2@mansfield.edu.

Refer A Student - Do you know a high school student who would find Mansfield to be a "good fit"? Or perhaps you know someone who is looking to transfer from a community college or another four-year institution. Please help in identifying and recruiting new students to MU by sending us the names of tomorrow's leaders! Visit alumni.mansfield.edu/referastudent to complete and submit a student referral form.

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McBride would have returned for her final semester of classes this fall, playing her last season on soccer and graduating in December with a degree in Communication.

"Mic was not able to play her final season here at Mansfield or complete her degree, but by establishing this endowed scholarship, she will remain a part of the university and the women's soccer team forever," Head Soccer Coach Tim Dempsey said. Mic had a great passion for soccer and this is a truly fitting way to honor that love and passion."

The Women's Soccer Team has made a commitment to match all Alumni donations made up to a total of \$2500 through September 2012.

To donate, go to gomounties.com/sports/2012/6/28/WSOC_0628123555.aspx?id=167 or mail your donation to the Mansfield University Foundation, North Hall, Room 524, Mansfield University, Mansfield, PA 16933



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Homecoming 2012

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Mark your calendar! Homecoming 2012 is scheduled for Friday, October 12 and Saturday, October 13.

New!! [Click here](#) to see a list of those registered to attend!

Friday, October 12

The annual **Homecoming Golf Tournament** will be held on Friday, October 12 at Corey Creek Golf Club, with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. Proceeds benefit MU athletic scholarships. \$100 nonmember/\$85 member of Corey Creek Golf Club - includes all fees, lunch and beverages. Lots of contests and great prizes! Contact your friends and form a foursome or contact us and we'll arrange a foursome. If you or your company is interested in becoming a sponsor or donating a prize, contact Roger Maisner, Director of Athletics at 570-662-4636 rmaisner@mansfield.edu or Kris Decker 570-662-4466 kdecker@mansfield.edu.



Later that evening, join MU Athletic Hall of Fame inductees, coaches, alumni, friends and family at the **Hall of Fame dinner and induction ceremony**. The event, which begins at 5:15 p.m., costs \$25 and you have a choice of a chicken or beef entree. Reservations are required. This year's inductees are: **Michael Collier '82, Lynelle Mosley '04, Jessica Ricker-Czako '03 and John Soprano '68**.

After dinner, join fellow alumni, friends and current students on the lawn in front of Memorial Hall for the **bonfire, pep rally and fireworks** beginning at 9 p.m.

Saturday, October 13

The **Homecoming parade** will take place on Main Street in Mansfield beginning at **10am**.

Following the parade, join your friends at the **Alumni Tent Party at the Water Tower from 11am - 2pm**. You'll be treated to a performance by **The Spirit and The Pride of Pennsylvania Mountie Marching Band** while you enjoy the "chili bar" sponsored by Liberty Mutual Insurance - featuring chili con carne or veggie chili, corn bread, beverages and churros! Free MU logo item to the first 300 guests! Registration is appreciated, \$5pp.



The Women's Alumni Softball game will take place at 11am on Lutes Field. FMI contact Head Coach Edith Gallagher 570-662-4633 egallagh@mansfield.edu.

Cheer on the **Mounties sprint football team** as they take on Post in Van Norman Stadium. The game is scheduled to begin at **1pm**.

At **1:30pm**, the **Women's Soccer** team will take on Clarion University at Myers Soccer Field.

An **Alumni Baseball Game** will be held at Shaute Field beginning at **2pm** and an informal gathering at Gregory's (formerly Mark's Brother's) will take place after the game. Members of the 1992 National Championship Runner-up Team will be the guests of honor! FMI contact Head Coach Harry Hillson 570-662-4457 hhillson@mansfield.edu.

The annual **Prism Concert** will be held in Steadman Theatre, Butler at **7:30pm**. This unique concert features numerous MU music ensembles and is uninterrupted by pause or applause.

\$ For reservations or more information sachey@mansfield.edu or 570-662-4710 or visit <http://music.mansfield.edu>.

Sunday, October 14

The Mansfield University Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Jeff Jacobsen, will perform in concert on Sunday at 3 p.m. in Steadman Theatre and will feature violin soloist **Andrew Jones '11**. [Click here for more information](#).

Kelchner Fitness Center will be open 6am-9pm on Friday, 9am-9pm on Saturday, and 2pm-10pm on Sunday. Usage is free to MU Alumni during Homecoming Weekend.

North Hall Library will be open 8am-5pm on Friday, 12pm-5pm on Saturday, and 6pm-11pm on Sunday.

Campus Bookstore will be open 8am-4pm on Friday and 9am-4pm on Saturday. MU alumni receive a 20% Homecoming discount on clothing and MU logo items!

[Click here](#) for a printable version of the Homecoming 2012 registration form.

[Click here](#) for a list of local accommodations.



From Your Alumni Director

2012 Alumni Weekend

Mansfield University alumni & friends made their way to campus and relived the happy moments of their college days during Alumni Weekend on June 8 & 9.



Pictured here, the "Jocks" from the Class of 1952 enjoyed reminiscing about their athletic conquests: Hank Goodman, basketball co-captain; Don Mahon, football co-captain and Lenny Zanowicz, football co-captain.

A member of the Class of 1976 summed up his experience, "I enjoyed my stay for Alumni Weekend. The changes to campus are shaping up and the new dorms are really nice – plus the hospitality by the students was great. I'm

looking forward to next year already!" Save the date - June 7 & 8, 2013.

FMI on Alumni Weekend, including the 2012 Society of Honors inductees and the 50th Anniversary Class, [click here](#).

To view a photo montage of the weekend, visit alumni.mansfield.edu/videomontages.

Alumni Association Leadership

Congratulations to the following alums who were named to the Alumni Association Board of Directors at the June meeting: Brian Barden '76, '82M (Mansfield, PA), retired MU Director of Enrollment Services; Joan Cole Berney '86 (Reading, PA), marketing manager for SMG Managed Sovereign Center; Nancy Applin Pierce Marsden '72 (Hamlin, NY), retired music educator; Chet Nebrotzki '75 (Danville, PA), generation planner for PA Power & Light; and Katie Doyle Parsell '00 (Exton, PA), director of community resiliency for American Red Cross (SEPA). The following board members were elected to serve as officers: Stephanie Adams Ulmer '04, president; Jeffrey Howe '04, first vice president and Sharon Mokrzynski Kendrick '81, second vice president. Amy Dupree Brooks '80, Beverly Wilber Evans '69, '71M, Riki Kimble '89, '94M and Bonnie Lugg Kyofski '62 were recognized for completing six years of service and Brenda Button Freeman '96, '00M and Krista Tyner '04 for completing 3 years of service before retiring from the board. The MU Alumni Association is led by a volunteer board - to learn more about the board, visit alumni.mansfield.edu, Alumni Association.

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Mark your calendar and plan to join us on campus October 12 & 13, 2012. For more information and to register, go to alumni.mansfield.edu/HC2012

Alumni & Friends Online Community

"Find Friends" can help you to reconnect with college friends. Become a registered member of the community and gain access to all the fun and free features. If you haven't registered yet, locate your personal ID from the mailing label of this edition of the Mansfieldian, go to alumni.mansfield.edu and click on "first time" login.

MU Alumni Connections E-Newsletter

If you haven't been receiving the e-newsletter, we probably don't have your current email address. Visit alumni.mansfield.edu and complete the "Update Information" form under "Quick Links". The e-newsletter is a quick read and will keep you up-to-date on what's happening at Mansfield!

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CLASS NOTES

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Chester Bailey recently published his fifth book, "Bits and Pieces," a chronological collection of stories of his and Mansfield's past. He participated in the "Meet the Author" event at The History Center in Mansfield in March. Chester celebrated his 100th birthday on April 29.

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James Woughter lives at 618 Palm Valley Dr. W., Harlingen, TX 78552. He writes that he is enjoying retirement and playing golf in deep southern Texas.

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Barbara Bailey McConnell is living in Mansfield, PA.

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Jeffrey Miller can be contacted at millers@mindspring.com.

Laura Spory Spiker can be reached at PO Box 144, White Pine, TN 37890.

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Michael Gates' address is PO Box 428, Carrboro, NC 27510. blueskytravel@hotmail.com

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Mary Jane Emmick Baker resides at 111 Aberdeen Rd., Williamsport, PA 17701.
immjthedj@yahoo.com

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Judy Onufrak Harvey has retired from 36 years of teaching; 3 in PA and 33 in NY. She writes: "Looking forward to my husband's retirement (in 2013 or 14) and trips out West in our Safari Condo Camper Van. Enjoying time to read//reorganize our home's contents. Enjoying our one- and 14-year-old Australian shepherd dogs and calico cat!" spiritbear@me.com

John Ross lives at 1380 SR307, Dalton, PA 18414. jross@ptd.net.

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Earl Packard, chair of the Alfred State Mathematics and Physics Dept., was selected to participate in the annual reading and scoring of the College Board's Advance Placement Examinations in June. He read the calculus exams for the 10th consecutive year.

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Letha Payne Stone is living in Bloomsburg, PA. lethastone@gmail.com. She received her MS in Early Childhood Ed from Bloomsburg University, and her MS in Music Ed from Duquesne.

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John Elmore, an attorney in Buffalo, NY, was named by both Gov. Andrew Cuomo and Atty. Gen. Eric Schneiderman as chairperson for his 4th Department Judicial Screening Committee (covering Western and Central NY and the Southern Tier) and as arbitrator for a panel recently created to hear claims of excessive force and police misconduct in Niagara Falls. Gov. Cuomo also appointed John to the Erie Community College Board of Trustees.

Larry Kimport has published two novels, *At the Table of Want* (2009), a coming-of-age love story originating in the Pine Barrens of New Jersey and ending in southeast Asia, and *A Small Harvest of Pretty Days* (2007), an 1890s love story set in Williamsport, PA. For more about Larry's writings, see <HTTP://www.foremostpress.com/readers/kimport/>

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Ann Mikos Dougherty can be contacted at annld1997@hotmail.com

Amy Taylor Story was honored at the recent ACDA Eastern Div. Conference in Providence, RI with the Helen Kemp Award. The award honors an individual who, through teaching, performing and sharing, exhibits a lifelong passion and commitment to the choral art.

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Mark Cook lives in Greenwich, CT. pappycook@gmail.com

Irene Moore Morgan was recognized by the Mansfield, PA Chamber of Commerce as the 2012 Mansfield Citizen of the Year. She was honored at a special ceremony in May at St. James Hall.

Pamela Schwarm recently wrote in, "I am so glad I went to Mansfield! I feel I was well prepared with a solid foundation to start my career in Music Ed back in the fall of '81. I just wish I wasn't so far away or I would be visiting more often! It is a "gem" among the hills!"

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Rebecca Saxton Polly is the new manager of the Rialto Theatre in Canton, PA. She is excited about bringing upgrades to the theatre, such as digital projection. Rebecca also works

as a care coordinator at the Troy Community Hospital.

Kathy Andrews Wright is the recipient of the 2012 MU Employee of the Year award. Kathy is a professor in the Nutrition & Dietetics Dept. of the Health Sciences Div. and is co-chair of the Middle States Steering Committee at MU.

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Dennis and Verna Ackerman Correll are now living at 316 Warren St., Montoursville, PA 17754. dcorrell1@comcast.net

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Mark Costello continues to work at Drexel U, Philadelphia, PA, and has been elected to the Region II Steering Comm for his professional organization, National Academic Advising Asso. He writes, "Hey, Class of 84! Are we really turning 50? Geez!" Mark lives in Langhorne, PA. danmark@comcast.net

Donald King can be reached at djk2806@gmail.com

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Mark Speck recently published a book titled "...and a dollar short, the Empty Promises, Broken Dreams, and Somewhat-Less-Than-Comic Misadventures of the 1974 Florida Blazers (2011, St. Johann Press). The book is available through the publisher's web site and Amazon.com Marks lives in Horseheads, NY. wiffleguy@aol.com

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Mary Beth Jenkins Frisbie can be contacted at mrs.frisbie@hotmail.co

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Richard Kimble, currently principal at Corning (NY)Free Academy Middle School, will become executive principal of the Corning SD's combined middle school when it opens in September 2014. Riki will lead the transition planning over the next two years and will head the Middle School Building Design Team.

Becky Blackwell Merges resides in Vestal, NY.

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Michael Gillum received the PA Psychological Association's "Psychology in the Media" award in June during the annual convention. Michael is a licensed psychologist and the owner and director of Gillum Psychological and Counseling Services in Williamsport, PA.

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David Lutzkanin is living in Rome, PA. dlutzkanin@wyalusingrams.com

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Ali Soufan has been awarded the 2012 Ridenour Book Prize for *The Black Banners: The Inside Story of 9/11 and the War Against al-Qaeda*. The DC-based Ridenhour Prize honors acts of truth-telling in publishing and celebrates courage in American life.

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Tammy Walker Johnson lives at 203 River Vista Dr., Wysox, PA 18854.. tamtam@epix.net

Jennifer Ray McQuiston can be contacted at jennifermcquiston@gmail.com

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Kristine Dennis Shuller is living in Camp Hill, PA.

Jessica Shiroff resides in Flemington, NJ, and can be reached at jhshiroff@lanzaandlanza.com

John "Jay" Weiners was one of seven Parsippany (PA) police officers honored for their "remarkable courage" in bringing the tragic October 2011 shooting at Exit Realty Gold in Mountain Lakes to a close. Jay joined the force in 97 and subsequently served as a detective sergeant with the Investigative Div. He is currently the Domestic Violence liaison officer and Crisis Response Team supervisor. Jay previously received a Lifesaving award and two Exceptional Duty awards.

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Christopher Close can be contacted at cdclose@gmail.com

Christopher Olson and **Saira Bly '10** are engaged. Saira is employed with Family Design Resources/Legal Service Initiatives as a paralegal for Tioga County Children and Youth, and Chris is a sixth grade teacher with the Southern Tioga SD. They plan to marry in July in Blossburg, PA.

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Joel Fritzinger, Kansas City, MO, recently became operations manager for Time Warner Cable Metro Sports in Kansas City. joelfritzinger@yahoo.com

Kelly Wagner Houck is the new superintendent for Canaseraga (NY) Central School. Previously, she served as K-12 principal for Bradford (NY) Central School

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Anne Metarko Brooks and husband Jeremy welcomed the birth of daughter Mia Elizabeth in March.

Maria Valenzano Prince can be reached at PO Box 813, Rockaway Beach, OR 97136.
mariavprince@gmail.com

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Joe Goodman writes, "I am one of the people that I know of from the MU Communications dept. that is using their degree successfully in the #1 media market, New York City. I have been here working professionally in TV and film for almost 10 years. I am now spearheading a new digital media initiative with youtube along with my own side projects documenting the extreme sport of downhill skateboarding."

Melissa Harris is living in Williamsport, PA.

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Sara Reddington Courtney can be contacted at jazzteecher27@gmail.com.

Andee Cummings Dunham was promoted to associate director for Student Life-Student Transition at MU. Andy was hired as an administrative assistant in '09 and began her new duties in Student Affairs in June

Brian and Denise Fraley Erickson recently moved in Eldersburg, MD. Denise can be contacted at dafdesign@techtavern.net.

Theresa Stanford Odgers recently welcomed the birth of son Landon.

Diana Rizzo Petlock was promoted from HR advisor to HR manager at Tyler Memorial Hospital, Tunkhannock, PA, in February. dlr128@hotmail.com

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Nicole Zdrojewski Baker welcomed the birth of son Calen Mikel Mills in March

Colleen Joyce is living in Moosic, PA. colleen.joyce@wnep.com

Sarah Thomas, music teacher/band director at East High School, was recognized by the Corning Painted Post (NY) SD with an Excellence in Action award for her dedication to improving her students. musical and leadership abilities.

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Shauna Chisholm lives at 309B Morrison Moore Pkwy, Dahlonega, GA
30533.shauna.chisholm@gmail.com

John Cook and Rebekah Nichols '11 are engaged. Rebekah is a high school math teacher with the Vance City SD ion Oxford, NC, and John is employed by Enterprise in Durham, NC. The wedding will be held at the Glen Harbor Hotel in Watkins Glen, NY, in August.

Kate Finnerty and John Krispin announce their engagement. Kate is a school counselor for the Tunkhannock Area SD and John is working for Axelrod Screen Printing and Graphic Design. The couple will wed in July at the Irem Country Club, Dallas, and will honeymoon in Ireland.

Mary Mowers can be contacted at singwithmary@gmail.com.

Blair Robbins and Whitney Murphy '10 have announced their engagement. Whitney is employed by Dirt Excavating in Mansfield, PA, and Blair is a dairy farmer in Roseville, PA. The wedding is planned for August 2013 in Addison, NY.

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Corinne Ammon Esken is living in Easton, PA.

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Chandra Chaffee Dix and husband Robert welcomed son Royce Dix in July.

Alyssa Eddings lives in Philadelphia, PA, and can be contacted at a-eddings@hotmail.com.

Holly Hyde Kibbe and husband Justin welcomed twin sons, Kyle George and Asa Douglas, in July.

Angel Walker held at book signing in May at From My Shelf Bookstore, Wellsboro, PA, for her first novel, *Such Is Life*, a "fun, fresh romantic comedy."

Sarah Young and Timothy Bartman, a US Army specialist deployed in Afghanistan, are engaged.

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Tami Hyler and Matthew Guillaume are engaged, and plan to marry in Nauvoo, PA, in September. Heyler recently returned from teaching at Garace International School, Thailand, and Matthew is employed by the Wellsboro (PA) area SD as a math teacher.

Masashi Kishimoto has completed his doctoral work at North Dakota State U in Fargo, ND, and graduated in May.

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Danielle Kleckner can be contacted at klecknerdr12@gmail.com.

Amanda McAlinn and Stephen Wright announce their engagement. Amanda is working on her master's degree in education at MU and is employed as a pre-school teacher at Once Upon a Time Preschool in Corning, NY. Stephen is employed by Schlumberger in Horseheads, NY. A September wedding is planned at the Club at Shepard Hills, Waverly, NY.

Carissa Ochab and Corey Showers are engaged. Carissa is a nutrition specialist for the Head Start program at Prince William County SD in Virginia. Corey is in the US Marine Corps, currently stationed at Quantico, VA. The couple plan to marry in the Semper Fi Memorial Chapel in September.

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Jacqueline Thompson and **Kyle Nobles** are engaged and plan to be married in the Caribbean within the next two years. They reside in Fort Drum, NY where Jacqueline is an active duty officer in the US Army. Kyle served four years in the US Marine Corps and is attending MU.

Maria Tubby and David Stamp are engaged. Maria, a K-4 teacher in the Towanda Area SC, is seeking an MS degree specializing in elementary reading and literacy. David is pursuing a doctorate in physical therapy at the U of Maryland School of Medicine.

Evan Upright and Britney Solomon were married in April in Williamsport, PA, at the Garden Terrace Room of the Genetti Hotel.

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Kristopher Dumschat of Easton, PA, reminds readers that "Hard work always pays off in the end."

kris.dumschat@yahoo.com

Staff Notes

Edith Gallagher, head softball coach, was named the 2012 PSAC Central Coach of the Year.

Gallagher, who completed her 21st season as head coach of the Mountaineers, is the most successful coach in women's athletics at MU with 335 career victories.

In Memoriam

Ina Guild Carroll '32
Katherine Kingsley Passmore '33
Robert Z. Belles '38
Mavis Ford White '39
Ruth Stambaugh Riale '40
Sara Evans Payne '43
Mabel Jaquish Thomas '43
Regina Fought Willis '45
Atwell M. Bookmiller '48
Josephine White Lewis '48
Ray A. Kodish '49
Arlene Craig Snedicor '50
John J. Lazevnick '51
Joyce Cunningham Danielson '52
Jean Klinkel Zehner '52
Margaret Fray Judd '53
Robert E. Long '53
Daniel R. Ceccoli '60
Dale A. Jackson '60
Gary J. Moore '61
Ronald T. Logan '62
Garth E. Mortimer II '63
David W. Schultz '68
Catherine L. DeMaio Smith '68
Gary L. "Ben" Davy '69
Sean P. McLarney '71
Mary Jean Broody Mosca '72
Nancy A. Bobkoskie '73
Michael A. Scatton '74
Michael J. Fedorchak '75
Margaret Dansbury Howe '75
H. Frederick Koons, Jr. '79
Richard D. Fuller '93
Elizabeth Foresman Smith '00
Glenn I. Jackson '04

Retired Faculty

Dorothy M. Goodwin
William "Bill" Beisel

Friends

Ira David Hall
Richard D. Mase
Bessie Ellis Stone
Roger York